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FM AMEMBASSY QUITO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3438

INFO AMCONSUL GUAYAQUIL

AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

AMEMBASSY KINGSTON

AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

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SUBJECT: US FOOD PROCESSING, PACKAGING, AND AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT
TRADE MISSION

REF: STATE 252513; QUITO 7029; GUAYAQUIL 1323 (ONLY TO QUITO)

BOGOTA 10241, KINGSTON 4161 (NOT TO GUAYAQUIL)

1. EMBASSY AND CONSULATE CONCUR WITH REVISED MISSION ITINERARY. HOWEVER, SUGGEST THAT ENTIRE MISSION PLAN STOP QUITO FIRST DAY, FEB. 17, TO CALL ON GOE OFFICIALS AND MEET APPROPRIATE POTENTIAL BUYERS. SUCH MEETING WOULD BE BENEFICIAL BOTH TO MEMBERS WHOSE MAJOR MARKET IS THE GOVERNMENT AND TO OTHERS AS AN ORIENTATION TO THE AGRICULTURAL/FOOD PROCESSING EQUIPMENT MARKET BEFORE THEIR APPOINTMENTS IN GUAYAQUIL.

2. SINCE BOGOTA REQUESTS MISSION ARRIVE THERE FEB. 20, REQUEST THAT MISSION ARRIVE QUITO FEBRUARY 16 TO ALLOW FULL WORKING DAY ON 17TH. MEMBERS WOULD TAKE FIRST FLIGHT TO GUAYAQUIL MORNING OF THUESDAY, FEB. 18 TO BEGIN THEIR INTERVIEWS THERE. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST WHEN MEMBERS TO ARRIVE AS HOTEL ROOMS SCARCE BOTH HERE AND IN GUAYAQUIL.

3. GUAYAQUIL RECOMMENDS MISSION USE FACILITIES OF LOCAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR APPOINTMENTS. SPACE IN CHAMBER FREE OF CHARGE AND UNCLASSIFIED

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OTHER REQUIRED SERVICES AVAILABLE. AT PRESENT TIME, SINGLE ROOMS AT

RECOMMENDED HOTEL (CONTINENTAL) IN GUAYAQUIL RANGE FROM US\$18.50
TO US\$26 PER DAY; MISSION DIRECTOR'S SUITE APPROX. US\$37 (PRICES
INCLUDE ALL TAXES AND SPECIAL MISSION DISCOUNT). QUITO PRICES
APPROX. SAME. PLEASE ADVISE SUITABILITY OF HOTEL AND CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE OFFICE ARRANGEMENTS.
PLEASE ALSO ADVISE IF MISSION WILL REQUIRE PRIVATE SECRETARY BEFORE
AND DURING THE STOPOVER AND CONFIRM APPROXIMATE DATE OF ADVANCE MAN
VISIT.
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